

shall pay no greater sum for labor performed or material furnished than the price stipulated in the original contract; and providing, further, that the execution of the bond shall not preclude any furnisher of material, mechanic, artisan or laborer from recovering or fixing a lien; and by adding Article 5623a, requiring the owner, railroad company or receiver to take from contractor a good and sufficient bond payable to the owner, railroad company or receiver, and providing, further, that the bond shall guarantee the payment of all claims, and authorizing suit to be brought on such bond; and providing, further, that no change in the plans, building, construction or method of payment shall affect the bond, and limiting the defense of the sureties; and by adding Article 5623b, providing that Articles 5623 and 5623a shall not be construed to deprive material men, artisans, laborers or mechanics of any rights or remedies now given them by law, and stipulating that the provisions of said Articles shall be cumulative; and by adding Section 4, declaring an emergency."

M'NEALUS, Chairman.

#### Petitions and Memorials.

Senator Johnson offered a petition signed by citizens of Goodnight, Armstrong County, favoring bill providing four days' rest per month for agents and operators.

Senator Lattimore presented petition from Farmers' Union of Tarrant County, in opposition to the full crew bill.

Senator Townsend presented resolutions from the Bar of Houston County, favoring pending bill changing the terms of the district court for the Third Judicial District, and opposing the abolition of the office of district attorney in said district.

Senator McNealus offered the following several petitions:

Resolutions from the Trinity Rod and Gun Club of Dallas, opposing H. B. No. 105, prohibiting the use of automatic and repeating guns. Also two numerous signed petitions from citizens of Dallas, protesting against the same.

A telegram from W. C. Swain and R. S. Loving was offered in opposition to the pending optometry bill.

A numerous signed petition opposing any legislation for the regulation of itinerant venders of medicines, extracts, spices, etc.

#### SIXTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Tuesday, February 2, 1915.

The Senate met at 1:30 o'clock p. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answered to their names:

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris.	McNealus.
Bee.	Morrow.
Brelsford.	Nugent.
Clark.	Page.
Conner.	Parr.
Cowell.	Robbins.
Darwin.	Smith.
Gibson.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Henderson.	Wiley.
Johnson.	

Absent.

Hall McGregor.

Absent—Excused.

Hudspeth.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Bee.

#### Simple Resolution No. 57—Seating New Member.

Senator Johnson offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. A. R. McCollum, the duly elected and accredited successor to the Hon. H. B. Terrell, from the Eleventh Senatorial District, resigned, is at the bar of the Senate; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the President of the Senate appoint a committee of three to escort him to the President's stand for the purpose of taking the oath of office, and that he be seated

as a member of the Senate from the aforesaid district.

JOHNSON,  
M'NEALUS,  
DARWIN.

The resolution was read and adopted.

The Chair appointed Senators Johnson, McNealus and Bee to escort Mr. McCollum to the President's stand, whereupon Lieutenant Governor Hobby administered the constitutional oath of office to him.

#### Simple Resolution No. 58.

(By unanimous consent.)

By Senator Westbrook:

I move that S. B. No. 163 be recalled from the Committee on Internal Improvements for correction.

The resolution was read and adopted.

#### Simple Resolution No. 59.

By Senator Darwin:

Whereas, Senator A. R. McCollum now holds the place of Ex-Senator H. B. Terrell, resigned; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be assigned to the following committees held by Ex-Senator Terrell, resigned:

Chairman of the Committee on State Affairs.

Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, and be a member of the following committees:

Towns and City Corporations.

State Penitentiaries.

Public Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Counties and County Boundaries.

Treasurer's and Comptroller's Departments.

Insurance, Statistics and History.

Mining and Irrigation.

Educational Affairs.

JOHNSON.  
M'NEALUS.  
DARWIN.  
ASTIN.

The resolution was read and adopted, being acted on by unanimous consent.

#### Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Bee:

S. B. No. 195, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 5 and Sec-

tion 8 of Chapter 119 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-second Legislature of 1911, relating to official court stenographers, by adding to said Section 5 of said Chapter, Section 5a, and by amending Section 8 of said Chapter 119."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Clark:

S. B. No. 196, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the purpose of encouraging and improving the breeding and developing of highly bred horses, and in furtherance of such purposes of encouraging and concerning the holding of fairs for the exhibition of live stock, agricultural and mechanical products, and for the appointment of a commission for the regulation of races and laying wagers thereon, and to provide for the payment of certain revenue derived therefrom to the State Commissioner of Agriculture for the use of live stock division of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

By Senator Brelsford:

S. B. No. 197, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish the Central West Texas State Normal College; providing that the State Normal Board of Regents shall control the same; fixing the time of opening the same; providing for examinations of title to the land donated; making an appropriation for buildings, salary and expenses of the president and salary and expenses of the locating committee; creating and defining the duties of the locating committee; providing for meeting of Board of Regents for the purpose of establishing departments in said school, and making contract for buildings."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Harley:

S. B. No. 198, A bill to be entitled "An Act limiting justification for homicide in self-defense to the killing of another when it is absolutely necessary from danger that is urgent and pressing, and providing that it must appear that the person killed was the assailant or that the slayer had in good faith endeavored to decline the struggle; repealing all laws

and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Bailey of Harris:

S. B. No. 199, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 83 of the General Laws of the Thirty-second Legislature, relating to exemptions as affecting employes and ex-employes of common carriers, express, railway, telegraph, news and other companies, persons and corporations performing service for or in connection with the operation of the railways; the State Railroad Commissioners; peace officers and representatives of industrial fairs and farmers' congresses and institutes and farmers' unions; deputy sheriffs, United States marshals and not more than two deputies of each such marshal; chiefs of police and city marshals; eleemosynary and religious societies; volunteer firemen and Confederate veterans; the State Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner and his two chief deputies; State and county health officers; government representatives accompanying fish for free distribution in the streams of this State; the Dairy and Food Commissioner and two chief deputies; the Commissioner of Labor Statistics and deputies and inspectors, not exceeding five (5) in number; the State Revenue Agent and his deputy; and providing for right of contract between railway companies and editors, proprietors or publishers of newspapers and magazines; persons who have been instrumental in securing the passage by the United States Congress of statutes providing for the equipment of railroad trains with safety appliances; constables; members of the State militia in uniform when called into service."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Judiciary No. 1.

By Senator Bailey of Harris:

S. B. No. 200, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate the sum of twenty-nine thousand six hundred fifty dollars for the purpose of additional maintenance and support, power plant, laundry, fire escape and fire protection, and additional running expenses for the Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Senator Westbrook:

S. B. No. 201, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make it unlawful to dispose of agricultural rents; providing a penalty for the violations thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Judiciary No. 2

By Senator King:

S. B. No. 202, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1003, Article 1004 and Article 1005 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, relating to the condemnation by incorporated cities and towns of public utility companies or corporations of private property for opening or widening streets, avenues or alleys, or for the construction of water mains, supply reservoirs or standpipe for waterworks or sewers, etc., and for laying sewer pipes and acquiring outfall, etc., whenever it is made to appear that the use of such private property is necessary for such purposes, and providing for condemnation by cities and towns of private property for the purpose of the construction, operation and maintenance of waterworks, and providing the proceedings for such condemnation, and authorizing any public service company or corporation organized or chartered under the laws of Texas for the purpose of constructing waterworks and furnishing water to any town or city, or the inhabitants thereof, to condemn and appropriate any private land reasonably necessary for its use for such purposes, by paying just compensation therefor, and prescribing the proceedings for such condemnation; to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

By Senators Page, Bee and Bailey of Harris:

S. B. No. 203, A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating private employment agencies and providing for a license for the operation thereof; charging a fee therefor; providing forms of receipts and registers to be used and kept; prohibiting any charge for registering or filing application for help or employment; limiting the amount of fee charged for procuring employment or help; prohibiting dividing of fees; providing for refunding of fees and expense

incurred in the event of failure to procure employment; granting the Commissioner of Labor Statistics power to prescribe rules and regulations to carry out the purpose and intent of this Act; creating a special fund for the payment of expenses incurred in the administration of the Act; providing for the payment of fines for violation of the Act to the Commissioner of Labor Statistics; requiring the Labor Commissioner to furnish such employment agencies with record books and blank receipts and reports; providing penalties for violations thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Judiciary No. 1.

By Senator Clark:

S. B. No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate out of the general revenue not heretofore appropriated, the sum of \$25,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of the Department of the State Health Officer of the State of Texas in preventing an outbreak of the bubonic plague or the spread thereof in Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Public Health.

#### Simple Resolution No. 60.

By Senator Lattimore:

Whereas, The stenographers of the Senate have to furnish their own machines and keep them in running order and are responsible for their safe return; therefore, be it

Resolved, That no employe of this Senate shall use the typewriter of other employes without first asking and obtaining permission so to do, and a violation of this resolution shall be ground for complaint to the Senate, and may be cause for dismissal.

The resolution was read and adopted, being acted on by unanimous consent.

Morning call concluded.

#### Messages From the Governor.

Governor's Office,  
Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

To the Texas Senate:

I ask the advice and consent of

the Senate to the following appointments:

To be members of the State Mining Board:

A. S. Masters, of Erath County.  
Archibald Koehler, of Bexar County.

W. K. Gordon, of Erath County.  
Wm. Wimberly, of Wise County.  
J. W. Cunningham, of Erath County.

C. N. Avery, of Travis County.  
W. R. Dunlany, of Williamson County.

To be members of the Board of Managers of State Epileptic Colony:  
Geo. L. Menter, of Taylor County.  
E. E. Hall, of Taylor County.

D. E. Russell, of Taylor County  
(in place of B. L. Russell, resigned).

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. E. FURGUSON,  
Governor.

Governor's Office,

Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

To the Texas Senate:

I ask the advice and consent of the Senate to the appointment of Hon. Erwin J. Clark as judge of the Seventy-fourth Judicial District, of McLennan County, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. E. FURGUSON,  
Governor.

#### Executive Session—Time Set For.

Senator Lattimore moved that the Senate go into Executive Session tomorrow at 2 o'clock for the purpose of considering the above appointments by the Governor.

The motion was adopted.

#### Senate Bill No. 4.

(Special order.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, as special order for this hour,

S. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 29, Title 5, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, and to amend Chapter 120, Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature, and to create the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, and to provide for the organization of a Court of Civil Appeals within the Ninth Supreme Judicial District, and repealing all laws and parts of laws

in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Action recurred on the pending amendment, by Senator Townsend, the question being on the motion by Senator Bailey of Harris to table the amendment.

By unanimous consent, Senator Townsend withdrew his amendment, and offered the following amendment in lieu thereof:

Amend the bill as follows: On page 1, Article 29, Subdivision 1, in line 27, strike out the word "Galveston," and in line 28 on same page and Article, by striking out the word "Brazoria."

And further amend the bill, on page 3, in line 7, by inserting the word "Brazoria" after the word "Austin," and in line 8, on page 3, by inserting the word "Galveston" after the word "Fort Bend."

Further amend the bill, by striking out the words "and Shelby," on page 2, line 24, and on page 1, line 27, insert the word "Shelby" after the word "and."

Section 4, amend the bill, by adding Section 4, on page 4, the following: "The Court of Civil Appeals of the First Supreme Judicial District shall hold its sessions in the city of Beaumont at the same times and terms as is now provided by law for the holding the sessions of the First Supreme Judicial District.

"Sec. 5. Within 30 days after the passage of this Act the Governor shall, by and with the consent of the Senate, if in session, appoint one chief justice and one associate justice for the First Supreme Judicial District, who shall each reside in the territory or limits of said district, as herein made, and who shall possess the qualifications now required by law, who, together with the present associate justice of said court who resides within the limits of the First Supreme Judicial District, as provided for in this Act, shall constitute the Court of Civil Appeals within and for the First Supreme Judicial District; and one associate justice for the Ninth Supreme Judicial District, who shall be a resident of said district, and who, together with the present chief justice and associate justice of the First Supreme Judicial District, as before constituted, who resides within the limits of the Ninth Supreme Judicial District, as provided for in this Act, shall con-

stitute the Court of Civil Appeals for the Ninth Supreme Judicial District, and who shall hold their offices until the next general election in 1916, and the judges of said courts shall thereafter be elected and qualified as provided and required by the Revised Statutes of Texas."

Amend the bill, on page 4, by striking out the figure "4," in line 6, and inserting the figure "6."

TOWNSEND,  
LATTIMORE.

Action recurred on the motion to table the amendment, and the motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Astin.	Harris.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Nugent.
Bailey of Harris.	Page.
Bee.	Parr.
Clark.	Robbins.
Hall.	Smith.

Nays—9.

Brelsford.	Suiter.
Gibson.	Townsend.
King.	Westbrook.
Lattimore.	Wiley.
McNealus.	

Present—Not Voting.

Harley.	McCollum.
Henderson.	Morrow.
Johnson.	

Absent.

Conner.	Cowell.
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Absent—Excused.

Hudspeth.

Pairs Recorded.

Senator Darwin (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator McGregor (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Nugent offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

S. B. No. 4, Amendment No. 1: Amend the bill, line 28, page 1, by striking out the word "Brazoria," and line 9, page 3, by inserting between the words "Montgomery" and "Walker," the word "Brazoria."

Action recurred on the engrossment of the bill, and,

Senator Hall moved that S. B. No. 4, with amendment, and S. B. No. 61 be recommitted to Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table the motion to recommit, which motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Astin.	Harris.
Bailey of DeWitt.	McNealus.
Bailey of Harris.	Nugent.
Bee.	Page.
Brelsford.	Parr.
Clark.	Robbins.

Nays—12.

Gibson.	Morrow.
Hall.	Smith.
Harley.	Suiter.
Johnson.	Townsend.
King.	Westbrook.
Lattimore.	Wiley.

Present—Not Voting.

Henderson.	McCollum.
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Absent.

Conner.	Cowell.
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Absent—Excused.

Hudspeth.

The vote being a "tie," the Chair, Lieutenant Governor Hobby, voted "no," and declared the motion to table lost.

Pairs Recorded.

Senator Darwin (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator McGregor (absent), who would vote "yea."

The motion to recommit S. B. No. 4 and S. B. No. 61 was then adopted.

#### Regarding Heating Building.

Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.  
Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: The engineer of the power house has just informed me that it is not safe to run boilers in their present condition, and if they shut down, the heating and lighting of the building will have to be seen to until such time as we can have flues put in boilers. My information is that it will take about two weeks.

We will also have to get power from the city of Austin, if we can do so. Electricity to keep the lights going.

I will try and make arrangements with the city of Austin or the Trolley Company for electricity that is needed here.

I will give this my personal attention.

Yours truly,

JOE A. OWENS,

Superintendent Public Buildings and Grounds.

#### House Concurrent Resolution No. 3.

(By unanimous consent.)

H. C. R. No. 3, relating to the appointment of a joint committee consisting of three members of the Senate, three members of the House of Representatives, the State Health Officer, and State Dairy and Food Commissioner, to make a careful inspection of the Capitol building and all its departments, including the basement of the Capitol building, and the land office building, and report a general plan for a thorough-going system of cleaning, sanitation and inspection of the Capitol building, together with its offices, apartments, basement and the land office building.

The resolution was read and adopted, the matter of referring the resolution to a committee being waived, since the resolution did not require the signature of the Governor.

The Chair appointed Senators Clark, Page and Bailey of DeWitt as the committee provided for.

Senator McNealus moved that Lieutenant Governor Hobby be requested to confer with the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds regarding temporary heating of the building on account of the breakdown at the power house.

The motion was adopted.

#### Senate Bill No. 88.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading.

S. B. No. 88, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1676, Title 34, Chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, by adding the following: "And in the event the district judges shall be prevented from exchanging districts and the parties and their counsels shall fail to select or agree upon an attorney of the

court for the trial thereof, which fact shall be certified to the Governor by the district judge or the special judge, whereupon the Governor shall appoint some person legally qualified to act as judge in the trial of the case so as that said Article shall read as hereinafter set forth."

The bill was read third time, and passed finally.

Senator Conner moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 88 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### Senate Bill No. 160.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 160, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to enable the Railroad Commission of Texas to employ, and pay the compensation and expenses of, such experts and attorneys as may be necessary in the judgment of the Commission, to aid and represent the Commission in developing the facts essential to be ascertained in passing upon the application now pending before the Commission of the principal railroad companies in this State for an increase in all rates applying on shipments of freight wholly between points in this State, and as may be necessary, in the judgment of the Commission, in aiding and representing the Commission in any litigation that may arise out of the action of the Commission on said application; providing the manner of expending such appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time, and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Bee, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and S. B. No. 160 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Astin.	Darwin.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Gibson.
Bailey of Harris.	Harley.
Bee.	Harris.
Brelsford.	Henderson.
Cowell	Johnson.

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Lattimore.	Parr.
McNealus.	Smith.
Morrow.	Suiter.
Nugent.	Townsend.
Page.	Wiley.

Present—Not Voting.

Conner.	Hall.
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Absent.

Clark.	McGregor.
King.	Robbins.
McCollum.	Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Hudspeth.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bee.	McNealus.
Brelsford.	Morrow.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Darwin.	Page.
Gibson.	Parr.
Hall.	Smith.
Harley.	Suiter.
Harris.	Townsend.
Henderson.	Wiley.

Nay—1.

Johnson.

Present—Not Voting.

Conner.

Absent.

Bailey of Harris.	McGregor.
Clark.	Robbins.
McCollum.	Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Hudspeth.

Senator Bee moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 160 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### Senate Bills Nos. 55 and 149—Made Special Order.

Senator Darwin asked unanimous

consent to take up S. B. No. 55, and there was objection.

Pending discussion, Senator Morrow moved that S. B. No. 55 and S. B. No. 149, and all other bills relating to the building of highways, be made a special order for next Monday at the conclusion of the morning call.

The motion was adopted.

#### Motion to Rescind Vote.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to rescind the action of the Senate in recommitting S. B. No. 4.

Senator King made the point of order that Senator Bailey of Harris could not make the motion to rescind, since he voted with the negative side, but the Chair overruled the point of order, holding that the motion to rescind was in order.

Action recurred on the motion to rescind, which was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas—11.

Astin.	Harris.
Bailey of DeWitt.	McNealus.
Bailey of Harris.	Nugent.
Bee.	Page.
Brelsford.	Parr.
Clark.	

#### Nays—13.

Cowell.	Morrow.
Gibson.	Smith.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
King.	Wiley.
Lattimore.	

#### Absent.

Henderson.	Robbins.
McCollum.	

#### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Darwin (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator McGregor (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Conner (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Hudspeth (absent), who would vote "yea."

#### Senate Bill No. 95—Refused to Take Up.

Senator Lattimore asked unani-

mous consent to take up S. B. No. 95, but there was objection.

(President Pro Tem. Nugent in chair.)

#### Senate Bill No. 8.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 8, entitled "An Act to amend Sections 24, 20 and 31, of Chapter 118, of the General Laws of Texas, enacted by the Thirty-second Legislature of Texas, entitled 'An Act to authorize the commissioners courts of the several counties to create and establish drainage districts,' etc., repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Action recurred on the committee report, with (committee) amendments, and, on motion of Senator Brelsford, the same was adopted.

Senator Brelsford offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted, being acted on separately:

(1) Amend by inserting, between lines 14 and 15, on page 4, of the printed bill, the following amendment to Section 28 of the law, as follows:

"Sec. 28. When such bonds shall have been registered, as provided for in the preceding Section of this Act, the county judge shall, under the direction of the county commissioners court, advertise and sell said bonds on the best terms and for the best price possible to be obtained, but in no event shall said bonds be sold for less than the face par value thereof, together with accrued interest thereon, and as said bonds are sold, all moneys received therefor shall be turned over and paid by the county judge to the county treasurer, or to the treasurer of such drainage district, as the case may be, and shall be by him placed to the credit of such drainage district in the construction and maintenance fund thereof; provided, however, that in the event such bonds have not been sold after being duly advertised for sale under directions of the county commissioners court for at least 20 days, then, and in that event, the drainage commissioners for such district may, by and with the consent and approval of the county commissioners court and the county judge, exchange such bonds as, for, and in



the payment for the construction work to be done and the improvements to be made in such drainage district, and the same may be paid out to the contractor or contractors as the work and improvements progresses, in the same manner as if the money were being paid therefor."

(2) Amend the caption of the bill by inserting therein the figures "28" after the figures "24," in line 8, page 1, of the printed bill, and by inserting in said caption, just preceding the repealing clause, page 2, line 13, the following, to wit: "and providing for the exchange of bonds for construction work and improvements."

(3) Amend the enacting clause of the bill by inserting the figures "28" after the figures "24," in line 16, page 2, of the printed bill.

(4) Amend the bill by inserting in line 9, page 6, after the word "taxes," and before the "as," the following, "shall be made."

The bill, having been read, was passed to engrossment.

#### Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Morrow, the Senate, at 4:45, o'clock p. m., adjourned until 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

#### APPENDIX.

##### Committee Reports.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 80, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the road law of Shelby County, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and that it be not printed.

HENDERSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Pub-

lic Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 179, entitled "An Act to amend Section 6, Chapter 160, of the Act approved April 18, 1913, relating to the forfeiture, reappraisal and repurchase of public free school land, making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

JOHNSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Public Lands and Land Office, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 48, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 68 of the Thirty-second Legislature, and Chapter 104 of the Thirty-third Legislature, and to provide that sand and other deposits taken for the raising of the grade of the salt flats in the northern part of Corpus Christi and the lowlands lying north of the north boundary line of the city of Corpus Christi, in Nueces County, Texas, shall be exempt from the provisions of said Chapter 68, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

JOHNSON, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judiciary No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 71, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize, empower and permit Aransas County, upon a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon, who are qualified electors of said county, to issue bonds, or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of Aransas County, and to levy and collect taxes; to pay the interest on said bonds, and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, authorized by Article 3, Section 52, of the

Constitution; maintaining and operating a macadamized, graveled or paved road or turnpike, or in aid thereof, across Aransas Bay, between Lamar Peninsula and Live Oak Peninsula, in said county, so as to connect the public road system of said county lying north of Copeno Bay with the public road system of said county on Live Oak Peninsula; adopting certain provisions of the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am requested to report the same back to the Senate with recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendments:

Amend the caption by inserting, in line 4, between the words "exceed" and "one-fourth," the following: "three hundred thousand dollars, provided said sum does not exceed."

Amend Section 1, by inserting in line 3, between the words "exceed" and "one-fourth," the following: "three hundred thousand dollars, provided said sum does not exceed."

Amend Section 2, by inserting, in line 6, between the words "exceed" and "one-fourth," the following: "three hundred thousand dollars, provided said sum does not exceed."

Amend the bill, by inserting, after Section 3, the following:

Sec. 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and especially Chapters 72 and 112, Special Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, enacted at its Regular Session in 1913, are hereby expressly repealed."

Further amend by numbering Section 4 of the bill Section 5, to conform thereto.

MORROW, Chairman.

(Floor Report.)

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 121, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 74 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, so amending said Chapter as to declare what counties shall compose the For-

ty-sixth Judicial District; to fix the time of holding court in the various counties of said district; to make the process issued or served before this Act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds returnable to the terms of court as herein fixed; to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and that it be not printed.

Nugent, chairman; Henderson, Bailey of Harris, Gibson, Darwin, Suiter, Conner.

#### Engrossing Committee Reports.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have carefully compared Senate Bill No. 96, and find same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Chairman.

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, February 2, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, have carefully compared Senate Bill No. 38, and find same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Chairman.

#### Petitions and Memorials.

Senator Lattimore presented a numerously signed petition from citizens of Tarrant County, protesting against any restrictions on wagon salesmen of medicines, etc.

Senator King offered a similar petition from citizens of Jasper County.

Senator Westbrook presented telegrams from thirty-one citizens of McKinney, in which each expresses a desire that the Agricultural and Mechanical College and the State University may be completely separated, and states that such is the unanimous sentiment in that section of the State.